

# ST. NORBERT'S



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### **OFFICE HOURS**

**Monday to Friday**  
8:30 am to 4:30 pm

**Saturday & Sunday**  
CLOSED

### **MASS SCHEDULE**

**Tuesday & Wednesday**  
7:00 pm

**Thursday & Friday**  
8:30 am

**Saturday**  
5:00 pm

**Sunday**  
9:00 am (Italian)  
10:30 am  
12:00 pm

### **RECONCILIATION**

Saturdays 4:00 – 4:45 p.m.  
and upon request

**WE CELEBRATE MEMORIAL MASSES  
AT THE PARISH SCHEDULE AS A REGULAR INTENTION  
WE DO NOT CELEBRATE PRIVATE MASSES**

### **PASTOR**

Fr. Augusto Menichelli

### **SECRETARY**

Cynthia Livera

### **First Tuesday of the Month**

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament  
after 7:00 pm Mass for 1 hour

### **MINISTRIES**

Catechetical  
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Homebound  
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Lectors  
Liturgical  
Social  
Youth & Children

### **BAPTISM**

Every Saturday of the Month  
Please contact the office

### **MARRIAGE**

Please contact the parish  
at least one year in advance

### **HOMEBOUND MINISTRY**

Call the office to arrange for our  
Lay Pastoral Team  
to visit and bring communion

### **WE WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS**

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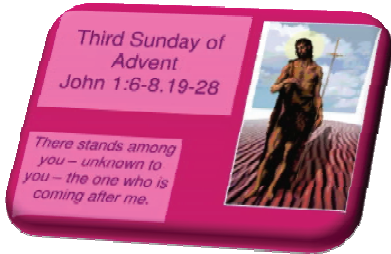
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Some thoughts on today's scripture



John knew that his role was to bring people to Christ. So is ours. We try to live our lives right so that people will be able to know through us that faith in Christ makes all the difference.

John knew that his baptism was preparatory; it was only 'with water'. Jesus baptised each of us with the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit dwells in us; he leads and guides us; we try to be open to his powerful work in our hearts.

How does John help me to introduce Jesus in the wilderness of this time? He reminds me that I am called to be a witness to the true Light - Jesus. I ask the Lord to strengthen that sense of mission in my life and give me the grace to live it.

*In confronto all'introduzione discreta nel tempo dell'Avvento avvenuta domenica scorsa, l'annuncio di oggi è spettacolare: "Ecco, io mando il mio messaggero davanti a te... Voce di uno che grida nel deserto: preparate la strada del Signore, raddrizzate i suoi sentieri". Giovanni Battista fa il suo ingresso spettacolare nel mondo, vestito di peli di cammello. Le sue parole bruciano l'aria, le sue azioni frustano il vento. Predica "un battesimo di conversione per il perdono dei peccati" ed immerge i suoi discepoli nelle acque del Giordano. Il suo messaggio, pur legato a un momento della storia, è eterno. Si rivolge anche a noi. Anche noi dobbiamo preparare la strada del Signore, poiché un sentiero si spinge fino ai nostri cuori. Sfortunatamente, troppo spesso, durante l'Avvento, molte distrazioni ci ostacolano nell'accogliere, spiritualmente, il messaggio del Vangelo. Non dovremmo, invece, cercare di dedicare un po' di tempo alla meditazione di quanto dice san Pietro: "Noi aspettiamo nuovi cieli e una terra nuova, nei quali avrà stabile dimora la giustizia"*



There was a man named John, sent by God, who came as a witness to testify to the Light, so that through this person all people might believe. Is it possible God could be calling your name to witness to the Light of Christ in our day? If you think God is calling you to a Church vocation, call Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997.

Email [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org)  
[www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca)

Friars Student Writing Contest 2024 (November 08, 2023, to January 15, 2024)

Theme: "You shall love the Lord your God ... and your neighbour as yourself." (Luke 10:27).

High school students (ages 13-19 years) in the Catholic School Boards located in the Archdiocese of Toronto are invited to participate in this annual event that commemorates the global Week of Prayer for Christian Unity from January 18-25.

Write a five-hundred-word essay that explores the 2024 theme. Great prizes await the top three submissions.

Students are to consult the resources at <https://rb.gy/wajo9> to understand the meaning and purpose of the theme and address the focus question found on the poster @ <https://bit.ly/3G0l4zT> and submit their entries at, <https://www.catholicregister.org/writingaward>  
 Contact: [ecumenical@archtoronto.org](mailto:ecumenical@archtoronto.org) or call 416-934-3400 (Ext. 527) for more information or questions.



**Celebration of Marriage Mass with Archbishop Francis Leo February 11, 2024 at 3:00 p.m.**



As part of Marriage Sunday 2024 celebrations, Archbishop Francis Leo will preside at a special Mass to honour married couples, with special recognition for those celebrating 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th and 60+ wedding anniversaries in 2024. The Mass will take place at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, February 11, 2024 at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica (65 Bond Street, Toronto). All married couples will have an opportunity to renew their marriage commitment during the Mass.

All are welcome to attend. Couples celebrating a 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or 60+ anniversary in 2024 may register for reserved seating. Reserved seating is limited, so please register early. All other seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. Those who are unable to attend at the Cathedral are invited to join the celebration via livestream Mass. Registration and other important information can be found at [www.archtoronto.org/marriage](http://www.archtoronto.org/marriage). For questions, please email [formation@archtoronto.org](mailto:formation@archtoronto.org) or call 416-934-3400 ext. 523.

DECEMBER 17, 2023



## CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR MASS SCHEDULE

### DECEMBER 24 (Sunday)

Note: "Regular Sunday Mass Schedule"

09:00 pm - Carolling (Inni Natalizi)

10:00 pm - Vigil Mass

### DECEMBER 25 (Monday)

09:00 am - Italian

10:30 am - English

12:00 pm - English

### JANUARY 01 (Monday)

09:00 am - Italian

10:30 am - English

12:00 pm - English



Remember to pick up your 2024 donation envelopes. Kindly do not use previous years envelopes.

Ricordarsi di ritirare la vostra donazione 2024 buste. Si prega di non utilizzare buste degli anni precedenti.

Dear Parishioners,

Please read this carefully.

If you make a donation to the Society of St. Vincent De Paul using an envelope, your donation will be recorded separately from the weekly parish donation. In February you will receive a charitable tax receipt from the Society if you have contributed \$20 or more in the previous year.

Please write your name and address CLEARLY on the envelope. Do NOT just put your parish offering envelope number. In this way we will have a proper account of your contribution.

Please also note: Donations for Mary Grove Camp go directly to the archdiocese and are receipted along with your parish donations.

Thank for your continued support of our neighbours in need.



### Change of Address

Please notify the church office if you are changing parishes or have had a change of address. This will enable us to have the correct information for tax receipts and to update our files. Thank you for your cooperation.



### Mass Intentions

#### Saturday December 16

5:00 pm -

#### Sunday December 17

9:00 am - +Sestilio Di Silvestre

10:30 am - +Domenic, Angela & Felice Gianfrancesco

+Livia & Giovanni Ceci

12:00 pm -

#### Tuesday December 19

7:00 pm - +Ida Porto

#### Wednesday December 20

7:00 pm - +Michele Santoli

#### Thursday December 21

8:30 am -

#### Friday December 22

8:30 am -

#### Saturday December 23

5:00 pm - +Pietro & Irma Gentilini

#### Sunday December 24

9:00 am - +Jenny Correia

10:30 am - +Antonio Barbuto

+Silvia Barbuto

+Steve & Bernice Santaguida

+Regina & Arduino Mazzoli

+Antonio & Elisa Mazzoli

12:00 pm -

#### 10:00 pm - Vigil Mass

#### Monday December 25

9:00 am -

10:30 am -

12:00 pm -

#### Tuesday December 26

7:00 pm -

#### Wednesday December 27

7:00 pm - +Maria Onorati

#### Thursday December 28

8:30 am -

#### Friday December 29

8:30 am -

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